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Weekly Digest Week of August 22– 26

COMMISSION MEETINGS AND HEARINGS

No Commission open meetings or executive sessions were scheduled this week.

ADVISORY OPINIONS

Request Received

[Advisory Opinion Request 2016-09 \(Martins for Congress\)](#). On August 25, the Commission made public [Advisory Opinion Request 2016-09 \(Martins for Congress\)](#). The requester asks whether it may raise contributions subject to a separate limit for a new primary. The Commission will accept written comments on the request during the 10-day period following publication of the request (no later than September 6, 2016) and must issue a response no later than 20 days after the receipt of the complete request, that is, by September 13.

LITIGATION

[CREW v. FEC](#) (Case 1:16-cv-01088). On August 22, the Commission filed its [Motion to Dismiss](#) in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

[McChesney, et al. v. FEC](#) (Case 8:16-cv-00168-LSC-FG3). On August 22, the Commission filed the [Reply Brief of Defendants Federal Election Commission and Matthew S. Petersen in Support of Their Motion to Dismiss](#) in the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska.

[Stop Reckless Economic Instability caused by Democrats, et al. v. FEC](#) (Case 16-109). On August 24, the [Cato Institute](#) and the [Ventura County Republican Party](#) filed Briefs as *Amicus Curiae* in support of the Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the United States Supreme Court.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

On August 24, the Commission hosted a Webinar on Pre-Election Communications and Reporting. Additional information is available on the [Educational Outreach](#) page of the Commission website.

PRESS RELEASES

[FEC Announces Departure of Acting General Counsel Daniel A. Petalas](#) (issued August 22)

[FEC Cites Committees for Failure to File 12-Day Pre-Primary Financial Report](#) (issued August 26)

UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETINGS AND HEARINGS

September 13: The Commission is scheduled to hold an [executive session](#).

September 15: The Commission is scheduled to hold an [open meeting](#).

Meeting dates are subject to change. Please contact the Press Office the week of the scheduled meeting for confirmation.

UPCOMING REPORTING DUE DATES

September 20: September Monthly Reports are due. For more information on monthly reporting dates, refer to the [2016 Monthly Reporting page](#) of the Commission website.

DISCLOSURE INITIATIVES

Commission staff, together with our partners at 18F, continue to add new features to the agency's [beta.fec.gov](#) website. The Commission encourages website visitors to submit comments and questions by clicking on the “Feedback” tab at the bottom of each page.

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH MATERIALS

Additional research materials about the agency, campaign finance information, and election results are available through the [Library section](#) of the Commission website.

The [2016 edition of the Combined Federal State Disclosure and Election Directory](#) is available in the [Public Records](#) section of the Commission website. This publication identifies the federal and state agencies responsible for the disclosure of campaign finances, lobbying, personal finances, public financing, candidates on the ballot, election results, spending on state initiatives and other financial filings.

The Commission has published the [August Record](#) newsletter. [Sign up](#) to receive email notification when new Record articles are posted.

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